# **Vouvant Cottage**

Region: France Sleeps: 6

### **Overview**

Vouvant Cottage is a traditional home beautifully restored to offer comfort, charm and a little touch of indulgence, located in the historic village of Vouvant, officially classified as one of France's 'Plus Beaux Villages'.

This inviting 3-bedroom abode sleeps up to 6 guests and combines characterful original features with modern-day amenities. With the heart of the medieval village only a 5-minute stroll away, the cottage offers a perfect base for exploring the cultural gems and scenic beauty of the Vendée.

Step inside to discover an open-plan living space where timber beams, exposed stone and soft tones create an atmosphere of warmth and ease. The contemporary kitchen, complete with bar seating, opens onto a dining area and cosy lounge where guests can unwind with a glass of local wine and stay connected with Wi-Fi internet. Outside, the shaded dining terrace is ideal for breakfast after your morning trip to the boulangerie.

Upstairs, three attractive bedrooms provide restful places to retreat at the end of each day. One double features an en-suite shower room, while a second double and twin share a family bathroom. Outside, the lawned garden invites slow afternoons on a sun-lounger or head to the covered terrace's hot tub for a moment of decadence.

Set by the edge of one of France's most beautiful villages, Vouvant blends fairytale charm with everyday convenience. Wander cobbled streets to discover café-bars, a bakery and restaurants, and join a guided walk along the ancient ramparts for a glimpse into the past. Discover village walks by the Mère River or drive a little further south for kayaking and summer boat hire in Mervent.

Meanwhile, you'll find fishing and forest walks near Fontenay-le-Comte, Renaissance history and vibrant markets in La Châtaigneraie and yet more idyllic nature across the Marais Poitevin. Families take note that the famous Puy du Fou is 46km away whilst glorious Atlantic beaches can be reached in less than 90 minutes. From timeless village life to the beautiful landscapes of the Vendée, Vouvant Cottage places you within easy reach of it all.

### **Facilities**

Pure France • Wi-Fi/Internet • Washing Machine • Wine Tasting • Boat Trips • Cycling • Canoeing/Kayaking • Walking/Hiking Paths • Walk to Village • Rural Location • Cottage • Zoo • Theme park • Ideal for Babies & Toddlers • Ideal for Kids • Ideal for Teens • Hot Tub • Walk to Restaurant • Dishwasher • Microwave • Parking Space • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages







# **Interior & Grounds**

### **Cottage Interiors**

Ground Floor (with steps)

- Open-plan living and dining area with Wi-Fi
- Open-plan kitchen, well-equipped including bar and stools, fridge freezer, dishwasher, oven, hob and washing machine

#### First Floor

- Bedroom 1 with two single beds
- Bedroom 2 with double bed
- Bathroom with bath/shower and sink
- Separate WC
- Bedroom 3 with double bed and en suite bathroom with shower, sink and  $\ensuremath{\mathsf{WC}}$

#### Outside Grounds

- Covered terrace with jacuzzi hot-tub
- Shaded dining terrace
- Lawned garden (via steps) with sun-loungers
- Off-road private parking









### **Location & Local Information**

Step into the storybook charm of Vouvant, one of France's most beautiful villages, in the heart of the verdant Vendée.

This medieval gem invites you to explore cobbled streets lined with flower-bedecked houses, galleries, ancient ramparts and the iconic Mélusine Tower. The cottage is set on the main road leading to the village, a very short walk (no pavement) from the bridge and village centre. In the heart of Vouvant you will find delightful local amenities including a boulangerie, grocery store, café-bar and restaurants. Join one of the daily guided walks and immerse yourself in Vouvant's rich history, with tales of legends woven through its architecture and landscape. Keen walkers can follow the hiking route near the village where you can cross La Mère river via the Bac à chaîne "vessel".

Vouvant is perfectly placed for both convenience and discovery. A short 15-minute drive brings you to La Châtaigneraie (12.5km) with its shops, restaurants and supermarkets – this area is loved for its fishing opportunities and forest walks. Look out for the twice-weekly market in Fontenay-le-Comte (15km) and learn all about the town's rich Renaissance heritage.

Even closer, yet more nature beckons in Mervent (8.5km) where you can glide along the tranquil waters by kayak or meet wildlife up close at the acclaimed Natur'Zoo de Mervent (9km), home to over 300 animals in a verdant setting.

Another highlight of the region is the enchanting Marais Poitevin, around 20 minutes by car, often called the "Green Venice" of France. Drift through its maze of shaded canals by traditional barque, cycle along peaceful towpaths or simply soak up the serenity of this unique wetland landscape.

If you're seeking thrills, Puy du Fou (46km), one of Europe's most famous theme parks, delivers an unforgettable spectacle with its world-famous daytime and evening shows, bringing French history vividly to life.

Craving the coast? Within 90 minutes, you can be basking on the golden sands of La Tranche-sur-Mer (75km) or Les Sables-d'Olonne (100km), or even venturing to the magical Île de Ré (80km). There, expansive beaches, salt marshes, charming market towns and coastal cycle paths await, offering the ultimate seaside escape.

### **Local Amenities**

Nearest Airport	La Rochelle Airport (70km)
Nearest Airport 2	Nantes Atlantique Airport (111km)
Nearest Beach	La Tranche-sur-Mer, (75km)
Nearest Ferry Port	Saint-Malo (306km)









Nearest Golf	Golf Club Bocage Bressuirais (44km)
Nearest Restaurant	Vouvant (Short walk)
Nearest Shop	Vouvant (Short walk)
Nearest Supermarket	La Châtaigneraie (12km)
Nearest Town	La Châtaigneraie (12.5km)
Nearest Train Station	Cerizay (32km)
Nearest Village	Vouvant (0km)

### What we love

- Experience authentic village life in this charming holiday cottage that has been lovingly restored
- Enjoy meals on your terrace, relax in the garden and make the most of the hot tub, a touch of luxury!
- It's lovely to be just a 5-minute stroll from Vouvant with its bakery, galleries, cafes and restaurants – it is classified as one of France's 'Plus Beaux Villages'
- This region is wonderful for history and nature lovers with forest walks, river kayaking, boat trips through wetlands and such a rich heritage
- Families note that Puy du Fou, one of Europe's most famous theme parks, is only 45 minutes away

# What you should know...

• Despite the village setting, bringing/hiring a car is essential to be able to explore the surrounding region and stock up at a supermarket – off-road parking is available.

## **Terms & Conditions**

- Security deposit: €500 charged to client's credit card by Oliver's Travels as a pre-authorisation at least 2 weeks prior to arrival and refunded two weeks after departure, subject to full inspection.
- Arrival time: 4.00 p.m.
- Departure time: 10.00 a.m.
- Energy costs included?: Yes.
- Linen & towels included?: Yes.
- Pets welcome?: Not allowed.
- Other Ts and Cs: Weddings, stag/hen parties and any special events are not allowed.
- Changeover day: Flexible.
- Smoking Allowed?: Outside only.
- Minimum stay: 7 nights. All other durations on request.
- Heating costs included?: Yes.
- Tax: French Visitors Tax payable to Oliver's Travels at the time of balance payment.